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WEATHER-Pair to-night; Thursday cloudy

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NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1903.

SAYS HE SLEW UNCLE DICK TURPIN

He Takes All the Blame and Attempts to Save the Lives of His Brothers by Insisting that the Bullets He Fired Odds on Favorite Runs Poor Killed the Aged Farmer.

The Boys Who Are to Be Put to Death To-Morrow Spend the Afternoon Writing Farewell Letters---Willie and Fred Seem on Verge of a Collapse.

(Special to The Evening World.) DANNEMORA. Sept. 30 .- Keeping up his remarkable nerve, Burton Van Wormer, the second in age of the three brothers who are to be executed to-morrow for the murder of their uncle. Peter Hallenbeck, now wishes to save the others by taking all the responsibility for the crime upon himself He insists that he fired the fatal shots.

"I wish it were possible for Gov. Odell to save my brothers' lives," he said twice to Keeper John Healey, one of the death watchers, "for it was I who killed my uncle. They shot about the room. My bullets were those

This statement might go far toward saving Willis and Fred, the older and younger brothers, but it is not sustained by the autopsy on the murdered farmer. Surgeons found a dozen or more bullets in the body, and Burton Van Wormer could not have fired them all.

WILLIS MAY DIE FIRST.

Which of the three shall die first to-morrow has not been determined. It has only been decided that the one who shows the greatest signs of collapse shall be hurried to the chair of death.

This is likely to be Willis Van Wormer, the eldest of the three murflerers. The fear of death is even now apparent on his brow.

He cannot stand at his wicket to-day to talk to Burton across the corridor because his knees are weakening at the joints and his body is all to 1), 1; Race King (7 to 1), 2; aquake. He is lying on his cell pallet moaning. Now and then he cries Divination, 3. out for aid, for some word-only a sign from the God he said he believed in when the sun went down yesterday.

The death watchers say that Fred, the youngest, will collapse next. His face auddenly disappeared this morning from its little iron-barred door. He lay down to sleep. Whenever the guard looked in upon him he was tossing "measily. His lips moved, but no sound came. It was after 11 o'clock when he awoke and fear was showing in his eyes. He called to his brother Burton, and from the latter's cell a firm voice answered: "Cheer up, kid: we won't have to wait much longer."

WRITE FAREWELL LETTERS.

The brothers this afternoon wrote seven letters, three of which were addressed to their stepmother at Kinderhook, bidding her farewell. One was written by Willis to Annie O'Connor, the child whose pitiable little messages to the boys have been milestones in the long months of waiting. The letter of Burton to Mrs. Van Wormer read in part:

"My Dear Mother-I write to bid you a last good-by. Before you get this I may be dead. Don't let my death worry you or make you ashamed after I am gone. I am not afraid and I hope Will and Fred will not be. They have promised me that they would be game. good-by to you now. I was sorry that I could not see you yesterday, but it would have been too hard. BURTON.

Willis and Fred did not write much more than that. They asked the stepmother not to worry and not to be araid. They said that they were sorry that they could not kiss her good-by yesterday, but they could not Pepper, who was a head in front of have borne up through a meeting, and as they sent kisses to her in the Ingold. Ice Water was well up to the letters it didn't matter anyway.

Father Charronbeau, the Leesville priest, visited the Van Wormers this afternoon. He remained with them for nearly half an hour, and when he left them he said that they were all feeling much brighter than earlier in the day. He was asked particularly about the condition of the eldest brother.

"Willis is as hopeful as can be expected under the circumstances," was

This is at variance with the reports from the condemned cells which reach the cuiside through other channels.

Several letters from sensational women were received here to-day, some addressed to th Van Wormer brothers. None of the letters got past Warden mula and Deyo's desk. Other letters from sirls and boys in the neighborhood of Kinderhook, bidding the brothers goodby, which were given to them without question. Answers to these were returned in the mail that carried their larewell messages to their stepmother.

BURTON VAN WORMER KEEPS UP HIS REMARKABLE NERVE.

(Special to The Evening World.)
DANNEMORO, Sept. 30.—Burton Von Wormer alone of the three brothers is cannot come between them. I will see seeping his nerve as the time for going | the boys." to the death-chair approaches. There is as rerveless as the bars of steel which cells. Willis, the eldest prother, was hold him prisoner. When he heard Willis told first of Mrs. Van Wormer's commoaning he uttered a loud curse, and ing. He called out to Fred and Burton then remembering the gentle pries who . Mother is coming to say good-by." made it upon his breast. "Will! Will!" he called.

The death watch went to the eldest

the trying ordeal of a farewell visit from their stepmother. In this he was aided by Father Belanger, the aged priest, who has taken the boys into the

Ioman Catholic Church.

priest when he heard she was on the way. He entered the grim, high-walled in-

Father Belanger looked beseechingly Burton saw the look and unpressed.

The death watch went to the eldest brother's cell and told Willis that Burton was at his wicket.

The condemned man groaned. "Let me sleep," he said.

"He's gone," said Burton disguestedly. He never did have any backbone. How he'll break the kid up. I thought I had tham both braced."

The boy cursed again. and again crossed himself.

Burton it was who last night averted the trying ordeal of a farewell visit from their stepmother. In this he was slided by Father Belsanger, the aged Wilsie could not be afraid, but Fred and Wilsie could not be afraid, but Fred and Wilsie could not be afraid, but Fred and Sided by Father Belsanger, the aged Wilsie could never stand seeing her."

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Kept Away by Priest.

"She must not see them," said the as to be on the safe side with him."

JUVENAL MAXIM IN FRONT; COLUMBIA PLAYS ALUMNI.

Race in Stake Event at Morris Park-Finishes in Third Place.

DRAKE'S RUNNELLS HAS EASY VICTORY.

Shows His Heels to Bad News and Black Fox in the Fourth Race-Flammula a

FIRST RACE-Reliable (11 to 10) King Pepper (8 to 1) 2, Ingold 3

SECOND RACE-Flammula (8 to 5) 1, Yo San (15 to 1) 2, Burdette 3

1) 1, Tepee (20 to 1, 2, Dick Tur

FOURTH RACE-Runnells (1 to 2) 1, Bad News (20 to 1) 2, Black

SIXTH RACE-Tribes Hill (8 to 1) 1, Hoodwink (7 to 5) 2 ,Lady Potentate 3.

Sept. 30.—The races this afternoon were slightly attended because the racing is not up to the standard. The quality of the sport is far below what it ought to be at Westchester.

furnishing fair medium for speculation, were dull and uninteresting. The weather was charming and the

Reliable made all the running and won cleverly by two lengths from King dip where he died away.

SECOND RACE.

Starters, whts., jocks. Flamula, 113, Fuller.... Yo San, 110, Gannon.... Burdett, 110, O'Neil....

Miss Melton, 109, Chrani2 12 12 60 20

"Coupled.
Start good. Won handily. Time—0.59 1-2.

Yo San showed the way for a quarter, closely followed by Burdette, Flammula and Algonquin. Flammula then forged to the front and taking a good lead at the dip held the advantage to the end, winning handily by a length and a half from Yosan, who beat Burdette three-quarters of a length for the place.

running to the far turn, where Fuller came to the conclusion that he was travelling too fast and he took Black Fox back. Bad News then led into the stretch, where Runnels passed him and in the run home Runnels went away and won handly by a length and a half from Bad News, who beat Black Fox a neck for the place.

FIFTH RACE.

BADLY BEATEN COLUMBIA 16. **ALUMNI O**

At Manhattan Field-Columbia, 16; Alumni, O. At Ithaca-Cornell, 26; Alfred, O.

At Franklin Field: Pennsylvania 17. Franklin and Marshall O.

At Providence: Brown 23, Colby 0. At Cambridge-Harvard 24, Bowdoin O.

At South Bethlehem, Pa.-Lehigh, 40; Manhattan, O

AT ELMIRA-GIANTS, 8; FATHER MATHEWS, 2

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PHILADELPHIA (NATIONAL), 3; ATHLETICS, 7. At Philadelphia—Nationals, 3; Americans, 7.

LATE RESULTS AT HARLEM.

Fourth Race-Wainamoinen 1, St. Tammany 2, The Don 3. Fifth Race—Dick Bernard 1, King Ellsworth 2, My Gem 3. AT ST. LOUIS. Fourth Race-Eva G. 1, Leenja 2, Lady Strathmore 3.

Fifth Race-Ada N. 1, Glennevis 2, Gus Lanka 3. MAJOR DELMAR'S ATTEMPT A FAILURE.

OAKLEY RACE TRACK, CINCINNATI, Sept. 30 .- Major Delmar failed to lower his record. Time for the mile was 2.00 1-4.

WEDDING OF DUKE TO MISS GOELET DELAYED

Sudden Death of Sir Michael Herbert, British Ambassador, Likely to Postpone Marriage Which Was Soon to Have Taken Place.

Davos-Platz, Switzerland, will probably cause the postponement of the wedding of May Goelet and the Duke of Roxburghe and will have a depressing effect upon the social season in both New York and London. Lady Herbert s the daughter of R. T. Wilson and the

last winter. His ailment was thought intimate friends knew that he was suffering from consumption. He sailed from New York on June 27 last with his

SIXTH RACE.

MOTHER AND BABY DROWNED.

CARMEL, Me., Sept. 30.-The bodies

Succeeded Lord Panneefote.

England.

He entered the diplomatic service of England in 1877, serving two years in described. In token of respect for described.

they held this order to the stretch. There Young Henry closed on Race King and taking the lead won easily by a length from Race King, who was two lengths in front of Divination. An unidentified woman twenty-five

years old, wearing a velvet coat over a brown skirt, was found to-day in a vacant lot at Bedford and Douglas ave-nue, Brooklyn, suffering from carbolic acid poisoning. She was removed to St. Mary's Hospital in a precarious con-dition.

WEATHER FORECAST.

of Mrs. Alice Drake, twenty-eight years nours ending at 8 P. M. Thurs

OLD-TIMERS ON

New 'Varsity Football Team of Local College Tackles Old Stars of White Barred Battle

SMALL CROWD OUT

Away from the Polo Grounds, Where Pigskin Knights Line-Up for Battle.

LINE-UP.

	Post	L. E	J. Wolff
	Brown	La T	R. Owens
		L.G	
	Landers	Centre	Bruce
	Strangland		Miller
	Thorpe	R.T	. D. Smythe
	Beale	R.E	Henriques
	Jones	Q.B	Sykes
	J. Thorpe	L. H	Weeks
J.	Frambach	R.H	Morley
	Fisher	F.B	Larendon

POLO GROUNDS, NEW YORK, Sept made such a great showing in their Wesleyan team at these grounds las Saturday, engaged in another tussle or the gridiron here this afternoon.

which was made up of such old-time stars as Weeks. Morley, Slocovitch. Wolff, Knapp and Dave Smythe. These players, with the others which comprised the team, made the alumni

the tussel, the followers of the sport as large numbers as it was expected they would. When the eams came out o the field in their uniforms and different sort of shields to protect them from receiving injuries, there were not than a hundred people seated in the

ne Little Girl Was Forgotter in the Scramble, but a Policeman Groped Through Smoke

rushing of sixteen families out of the enement, No. 225 East One Hundred and Eighth street, this afternoon, and a vine, of the One Hundred and Fourth street station, were the incidents that followed Senora Inadio Salvatore's leave-taking of her two little children

As soon as the mother left them alone in the top flat of the four-story tenement they found some matches. A fire Frightened by the blaze which started

rushed down the states. Smoke poured sixteen families which in habit the tenement became panic-stricken and fell wer one another to get to the street. In the hurry one girl, four years old. fourth floor, was forgotten. Policeman of stairs, found her groping about the or stairs, found her groping about the room and brought her out safely. The entire top floor was gutted, the damage being estimated at \$500. A ros-ter of the children was taken in the street and all reported safe and sou:

HARRIMAN, ERIE DIRECTOR.

roof That Magnate and J. P. Mo gan Have Settled Trouble.

ferences and will in future work together was furnished to-day in the elecion of Mr. Harriman as a director of This action was predicted a few days

Wall street men welcomed its con

LIVED 109 YEARS. SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Sept. 30

Christina Rittaker, who was in her 109th Christina Rittaker, who was in her 109th year and who has been an inmate of the Schenectady County Almshouse for the past thirty years, died at that institution to-day. According to the records she was born in the town of Niskayura, in this county, in 1786, and had lived in three centuries. She retained her faculties up to within a few months ago. She was never married and has no relatives.

RAISES QUESTION

President of the Board of Elections Voorhis Declares There Is No Law by Which the Fusionists Can Repudiate the Nominations Already Made by Their Convention.

BUT THE REPUBLICAN LEADERS DECLARE THEY HAVE THE RIGHT.

Grout Likens His Position to that of Theodore W. Myers. Who Was Nominated by Tammany Hall, Though He Was Also the Candidate of the Wigwam's Enemies.

All efforts thus far to force Edward M. Grout and Charles V. Fornes from the Fusion ticket have proved abortive. Mr. Grout says he is on to stay and so does Mr. Fornes.

Edward Lauterbach, advising the Fusion Executive Committee, says that it is possible to drop Mr. Grout and Mr. Fornes from the ticket, call a new convention and nominate new candidates. President Voorhis, of the Board of Elections, says this cannot be done

"The convention was adjourned sine die after nominating candidate said Mr. Voorhis this afternoon. "The secretary of the convention must file the certificates of these nominations within thirty days or be guilty of misdemeanor. The candidates can mandamus him to file the certificates

"The convention did not adjourn sine die," said Mr. Lauterbach. he law provides that under extraordinary conditions a new convention may be called and new candidates nominated. It is not reasonable to say that a convention must stand by the nominees. Supposing one of the nominees was found to be ineligible? Surely he could be dropped and another

CONFUSION WORSE CONFOUNDED.

Thus the confusing political situation becomes more complicated. Here are the latest developments:

The Republicans and Citizens' Union leaders claim to have discovered a legal way to force Comptroller Grout and President of the Board of Aldermen Fornes from the Fusion ticket, but they will take no action until after the Tammany convention to-morrow night. If Tammany nominates Grout and Fornes the Fusion leaders will drop them and name other candidates.

Mr. Grout is out with a statement defending his position and showing that Comptroller Meyers, in 1890, ran on both anti-Tammany and Tammany tickets and was praised for it. Charles F. Murphy has arranged for an invasion of Brecklyn. The plan contemplates the organization of the borough on Tammany lines and

the overthrow of Hugh McLaughlin. The Brooklyn organization will stand by McClellan if he is nominated, but will bolt Grout and Fornes. Mr. Murphy has told the Brooklyn leaders that it is a matter of indifference to him what they do so long as they support the head of the ticket.

There was talk to-day of Brooklyn getting up an independent ticket by petition and running it against the Tammany ticket. Little attention was paid to this, as such a move would destroy the regularity of the Brooklyn Democratic machine. The task of organizing the Borough of Brooklyn as a part of Tammany

Hall has been intrusted to Patrick Keenan, who has had men at work there for two weeks arranging the preliminaries. Mr. Murphy expects to have an organization perfected and a deputy leader named by Jan. 1. GROUT THINKS NOMINATION MUST STAND.

The Republican Convention was held subject to all the rules of the election machinery, and Mr. Grout apparently thinks that his nomination cannot be recalled. But it has been found that a nomination is not legally a nomination until it has been filed according to law. Secretary George R. Manchester, of the Republican County Committee, has failed to file the nominations made at the convention,

In the case of the Citizens' Union the nominations have been filed, but the Citizens' Union is not bound by the laws that bind the regular party organizations. The Citizens' Union can file a new petition with the names of Grout and Fornes eliminated, and it will stand in law.

Both the Republican and Citizens' Union organizations will wait to see if Tammany nominates Grout and Fornes to-morrow night. If they are nominated, the Republicans will call a new convention and nominate another ticket, and the Citizens' Union will file a new petition. 'rimothy Woodruff will, it is said, be the Republican nominee for Comptroller, and the Citizens' Union will indorse him.

GROUT SAYS THAT HIS POSITION IS LOGICAL.

At a meeting of the Fusion forces held at the Citizens' Union headquarters to-day R. Fulton Cutting, President of the Citizens' Union, was appointed a committee of one to visit Comptroller Grout and President of the Board of Aldermen Fornes and try to persuade them to withdraw from

There were present at the conference all of the leaders of the Pusion movement, including M. I inn Eruce, Chairman of the Reputs County Committee, who took the initiative in the movement to retire

Before Mr. Cutting called on him Comptroller Grout issued the fi

THE WINNERS.

Third Race-Juvenal Maxim (6 to

FIFTH RACE-Young Henry (10

selling plate order, was offered as the feature, bringing out a fair bunch of two-year-olds. The other races, while

Five furlongs.

Starters, whts. jocks. St. Hif. Fin. Str. Pl. Ivvenal Maxim. 102, B'sen 2 2½, 1½ 6 9-10 repee, 105, Burns. ... 6 3(2½ 20 4 bick Turpin, 105, O'Neil. 1 1h 3 1-3 1-3 Prince Saim Salm, 104. 7 4 4

Withers mile.

Starters, whis., jocks. St.Hif.Fin. Str.P.

Rummells, 112, O'Neil. 1 lh 1½ 1-2
Bad News, 103, Finley. 3 21 25 29 18

Black Fox. 109, Fuller. 2 3n 3 2 1-3

Start good. Won handlly. Time—1.39% Black Fox and Bad News made the running to the far turn, where Fuller came to the conclusion that he was

of Mrs. Alice Drake, twenty-eight years of age, and her two-months-old baby have been recovered from a small stream near the woman's home. Mrs. Drake had had domestic troubles and it is supposed by the police that she com-mitted suicide, carrying her beby with her. Take Piso's Cure for Consum

the time of the Armenian massacres and for his diplomatic skill in that emergency he was made a Knight Commander of the Bath.

He became Socretary to the Embassy in Rome in 1897, and a year later was transferred to Paris as Minister Plenipotentiary in the diplomatic service. It was in Paris that he became widely known as a diplomat of rare attainments.

wife in the belief that a summer spent in the mountains of Switzerland would restore idm to health.

It was the expectation of Sir Michael and Lady Herbert to return to New York next month and open the Embassy at Washington. An elaborate social programme had been arranged in which Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt was to have figured. The Cornelius Vanderbilt was to have figured a house in Washington and were to have spent a considerable portion of the winter there.

Lady Herbert was at the bedside of Sir Michael, and so was his brother, the Earl of Pembroke, and the Countess of Pembroke. Lord Pembroke teles graphed to Foreign Minister Landowne, announcing the Ambassador's sudden death and asking the Foreign Office to arrange with the Swiss and French authorities for permission to transfer the remains through their territories to England. The funeral will probably occur at the family estate at Salisbury, the Salisbury, Holling and the fourth son of the Right Hon. Sydney Herbert and Lady Herpert of Lea. His brother is the Earl of Pembroke and he is related to many of the most prominent families in the most prominent families in England.

He entered the diplomatic service of the most prominent families in the content of the death of the man whose qualities Lord Alverstone bad so filty described. In token of respect for the bad and signed the dready of the death of the man whose qualities Lord Alverstone bad so filty described. In token of respect for the deach of the man whose qualities Lord Alverstone bad so filty described in token of respect for the bar and people of the United States intense sorrow at the death of the man whose qualities Lord Alverstone bad so filty described in token of respect for the bar and people of the United States intense sorrow at the death of the man whose qualities Lord Alverstone bad so filty described in token of respect for the bar and people of the U

WOMAN TAKES POISON.

day, for New York City and vicinity-Warmer: fair to-night and partly cloudy Thursday; light to fresh east to south

TO SEE THE GAME.

Hot Weather Keeps Crowd

and Carried Her to Safety.

in the rear of the flat the two children

Proof that J. Pierpont Morgan and

firmation as another factor tending to